

# MISSISSIPPI PLAYS IMPRESSIVE TENNIS

Starts Defence of New Jersey Title by Winning Two Matches Easily.

## STRONG FIELD COMPETES

Mrs. Le Roy, Mrs. Falk, Mrs. Hitchins and Miss Bancroft Among Contenders.

By SAMUEL J. BROOKMAN.

In defence of her New Jersey tennis championship title Miss Florence Ballin began auspiciously on the courts of the Englewood Field Club yesterday, disposing of two opponents with the loss of comparatively few games. She was in excellent stroke, and her steadiness, hard hitting and brilliant getting proved too strong a combination for Mrs. S. J. Strauss and Mrs. J. C. Brush. However, the calibre of tennis exhibited by a number of other aspirants who either are higher or almost on a par with Miss Ballin indicated that she will have to play the best tennis of her career to retain her title.

Among the list of prominent contenders, all of whom came through their opening matches impressively, are Mrs. Edwin A. Falk, last year's national indoor champion, and several national rankers. Mrs. Robert Le Roy, runner-up in the recent Montclair tournament; Miss Leslie Bancroft of Boston, who ranks twentieth; Mrs. Carl V. Hitchins of New York City, who has been beating capable players in metropolitan tournaments, and Miss Helen Rice, the former junior metropolitan champion. Although she has been playing competitively for a short time in senior events, Miss Rice has advanced rapidly and seems certain to extend the best of the entrants. Her speed and skill will be tested to the limit to-day when she meets the title-holder in the third round.

The midsummer heat affected the play of the first round of the tournament, for instance, after taking the opening division of play from Mrs. Bernard P. Stens at first, tired noticeably in the second set, and the score ran to 8-6 before she could clinch the victory. If there was one player who the heat bothered less than the rest it was Mrs. Hitchins, who, after a long and arduous tour in the world's tennis circuit, she had to play six sets for a total of fifty-two games in two matches, yet she was playing as well at the end as at the start. Mrs. David C. Mills in the first round kept the score in doubt to the last stroke, Mrs. Hitchins winning finally at 8-6, 6-1, 6-0. Against Miss Florence Ballin, Mrs. Hitchins had all she could do to take one of the first two sets but she outlasted her opponent and took the deciding set without the loss of a game. In both matches Mrs. Hitchins' chop stroke was an effective weapon, but her superiority was chiefly a matter of endurance.

At the close of the first day's play the first round of entrants had been reduced to fifteen, with Miss E. Olyphant the only aspirant as far as the fourth round. Boston was represented by Miss Edna A. Bassett, and Miss Florence Ballin, who defeated Mrs. S. J. Strauss, 6-1, 6-0. Mrs. Le Roy defeated Mrs. S. J. Strauss, 6-1, 6-0. Mrs. Le Roy defeated Mrs. S. J. Strauss, 6-1, 6-0. Mrs. Le Roy defeated Mrs. S. J. Strauss, 6-1, 6-0.

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# THE LISTENING POST

By WALTER TRUMBULL

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THE QUESTION.  
An argument that gets no rest.  
A song that's never sung.  
Is of them all which were the best—  
Old timers or the young.

## THE OLD ARGUMENT.

Talk to a veteran and he will admit that better materials are used in baseball to-day and that the game consequently has grown faster, but he never will stand for the statement that the players are any better individually. And are they? Supposing that we should make up an eight team league, picking one club from the National and one from the American League and composing the other six teams of players no longer active in the majors. We might not select the best players for each position, but take men who certainly have been better than the average. If we could take all these men in their prime would the teams formed of men now in the big leagues have any cinch? We doubt it very much.

Just for fun let's see how such a league might be made up. Of course we'd need more pitchers and catchers and some substitutes, but we can assume that they would be of the same general quality. Anyhow, here's an eight team league with the National League club given first, the American League club second and the other clubs recruited from the men who once were major stars:

First base.....	Kelly	Sisler	Tenney	Amos
Second base.....	Hornsbey	Collins	Lajoie	Evers
Third base.....	Stock	Gardner	Devlin	Collins
Shortstop.....	Maranville	Scott	Wagner	Long
Left field.....	Burns	Cobb	Clarke	Delehanty
Centre field.....	McHenry	Speaker	Welch	Lang
Right field.....	Young	Rusby	Seaver	Armstrong
Pitcher.....	Snyder	Schick	Bwing	Kling
Pitcher.....	Grimes	Faber	Mathewson	Walsh
Pitcher.....	Cooper	Coveleskie	Waddell	Plank
Pitcher.....	Alexander	Mays	Rusie	Young
First base.....	Donohue	Brothers	Chance	Comiskey
Second base.....	Dunlap	Bierbauer	Barnes	Pfeffer
Third base.....	McGraw	Bradley	Leach	Williamson
Shortstop.....	Turner	Gosscock	Wright	Ward
Left field.....	Kelley	Fogarty	Burkett	Hamilton
Centre field.....	Jones	Gore	Hanlon	Griffin
Right field.....	Duffy	Hines	Thompson	Stander
Catcher.....	Starnes	Breenahan	Robinson	Robinson
Pitcher.....	Radbourne	McGinnity	Donovan	Brown
Pitcher.....	Breitenstein	Ramsey	Witte	Kilroy
Pitcher.....	Bender	Ferguson	Clarkson	Caruthers

We like to see some of those old boys get a crack at this modern baseball. There would be a lot of work for the outfielders, and an infielder or two might be among the missing if they caught on. And any one or two of those pitchers added to a staff would just about win a flag in either league to-day. Give the Phillies three pitchers such as Mathewson, McGinnity and Breitenstein and the Athletics a trio such as Walsh, Waddell and Donovan and they wouldn't be tail enders very long.

## THE FAR CORNER.

Have you noticed the dearth of veteran third basemen in the majors this season? The really experienced third basemen in the American League are Gardner, Baker, Vitt and possibly Shanley. Jones of Detroit, Ellerbe of St. Louis, Mulligan of Chicago and Dugan of Philadelphia have been around a season or two, but they are youngsters in the big league.

In the National League Stock is about the oldest inhabitant of the far corner. Johnson of Brooklyn has been around for awhile, but Pittsburgh, New York, Cincinnati, Philadelphia and Chicago all have youngsters on third. And there isn't a third baseman to-day in either big league such as Devlin, Leach, Bradley, Collins, McGraw or some of the other old timers.

They think in Pittsburgh that Grimm is one of the best first basemen that ever broke into fast company. New York is satisfied with Kelly, St. Louis has no complaint to make of Sisler or Boston of Melvin. There are a lot of good first basemen.

Probably never in the history of the game has there been at one time a greater variety of shortstops than at present. Maranville, Bancroft, Hollocher, Peckinpaugh, Bush, Scott and Sewell all are stars. There isn't a really bad shortstop on any big league team.

Nor is there any lack of second basemen. Collins, Hornsbey, Frisch, Young, Ward and the others take splendid care of the keystone sack. The first two alone would make this an era of second sackers. Yet we remember that Collins, Evers, Lajoie and Doyle once were all in the game together.

In the British open golf championship they are figuring Mitchell, Ray and Duncan against Hagen, Hutchinson and Barnes. As championships have been going over there, this looks like a good reason to let somebody take these six and back the rest of the field against them.

# New Doubles Combinations Make Their Appearance

Kumagae Plays With Voshell at Westchester.

New doubles combinations made their appearance in the annual invitation tennis tournament of the Country Club of Westchester yesterday, among them being Ichtya Kumagae and S. Howard Voshell and Vincent Richards and Walter Merrill Hall. These two teams and that of Watson M. Washburn and Dean Matney appear to be the strongest of those that came through to the second round. Kumagae and Voshell dropped just one game to Ralph L. Baggis and S. Kelly and Richards and Hall did the same to Watson M. Washburn and Dean Matney.

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# GOLF ASSISTANTS MAKE RECORD CARD

Stewart Boyle and Tommy Murphy Return Best Ball of 66 at Baltusrol.

By KERR N. PETRIE.

Although so far the amateur golfers have been monopolizing most of the season's competitive spotlight, there are indications that the professionals when they dive in earnest into their tournament schedule are to make up for lost time. Even in these lean competitive days records are being made all the while and the record books are being filled. It is worthy of remark that the low scoring is not being confined to the chief instructors.

Last week at Baltusrol two of George Low's assistants, Stewart Boyle and Tommy Murphy, played a round that has found them a niche in the "record makers' corner," with a best ball of 66. Boyle and Murphy made their record mark on each hole. On each hole there were five birdies, the card being as follows:

Each of the Baltusrol assistants had a 75, but good as were these cards it was the team work that was the feature, since the best ball showed 84 to the turn and 32 coming home.

Only once on the way around did the pair fail to touch par, and that was at the 500 yard pond hole, the fourth, where each carded a 5. On each hole there were five birdies, the card being as follows:

Baltusrol, par-out..... 3 5 4 4 4 4 4 3-37  
Boyle and Murphy..... 3 5 4 4 4 4 4 3-34  
Baltusrol, par-in..... 4 3 3 3 3 3 3 4-34

Boyle and Murphy..... 3 3 4 4 4 4 4 3-32-66  
As if to prove that such a score did not take all the golf out of him, Boyle went out the following day and, after a poor start, brought in a 75, with no less than eight birdies in it. Boyle this year is going to Lake Champlain to take charge.

About this time of year Jack Dowling of Scarsdale manages usually to get in some of his deady work for the implementation of his trade. The Scarsdale course is reported in the pink condition, so it is almost superfluous to add that Dowling has been working well into the sixties. His best score for the month of May was 61 out of 72.

Since this month began, however, Jack has clipped one stroke from that mark, this time going out in 33 and coming in in 31. In his second round card with the par of the Scarsdale course.

Par-out..... 4 4 3 3 4 4 4 4-34  
Dowling..... 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 3-33  
Par-in..... 4 4 3 3 3 3 3 4-30-60  
Dowling..... 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3-31-61

As the 65 and 64 were made within ten days the former card also is worthy of note. On the course he was observed that Dowling had the handicap of a 5 at the first. Even so he reached the turn in 31, or 26 strokes for the next eight holes.

Out..... 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 3-31  
In..... 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 3-32-63  
Also from Fox Hills comes word of a fine round of 66, played there by Tom Boyd, the professional, on Friday of last week. Boyd, who was out in 32 and home in 34, had birdies at the third, fifth, seventh and eighth, while at the eleventh he cut two strokes from par with a grand 2.

Out..... 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 3-32  
In..... 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 3-34-66  
The second monthly one day golf tournament of the season for the members of the New York Athletic Club will be played over the course of the Danverside Country Club.

Mercury Footers to the number of 165 have entered this tournament, which will be conducted along the same lines as the first event held last month at Fox Hills and will be held this morning and afternoon.

Miss Stirling's Fine Golf Wins Medal in France

Defeats 32 Players Over 18 Holes, With 79.

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Playing a superior game by far to that displayed in the recent British championship matches, Miss Alexia Stirling, of America, won the women's medal in competition over eighteen holes of the Fontainebleau course this afternoon.

Disregarding the high wind, Miss Stirling got plenty of power back of her drives and played her approach shots deftly. Finishing with a score of 79, which was three better than her nearest competitor, Molla Groffits, of England.

Scores of American tourists followed the players over the course.

The American team turned in four out of ten highest scores, but the British woman champion, Miss Leitch, did not turn in a card.

Fifteen pairs were drawn for to-day's commencement of the international women's championship, one American appearing in each match. Miss Stirling and Miss Leitch both appear, the latter playing against Miss Leitch of San Francisco for the world's honors.

It is hoped that the finals will be played Friday afternoon.

Holes Tee Shot in One.

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N. Bain, Pownell Golf Club, Newburgh, held his tee shot on the 115 yard fifth hole of the Orange County Golf Club links here in the Hudson River Golf Association annual 18 hole handicap.

This is the second time the hole has been made in one. P. H. Mitchell of this city having made it in one last year.

Boston Sport Writers Win.

Boston, June 13.—Boston sport writers defeated their New York colleagues in golf on the Bellevue links to-day, taking six out of ten matches in the individual play and four of the five foursomes.

Philadelphia Woman Has Low Golf Card

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 13.—Mrs. E. H. Vane, Philadelphia, with a card of 99 for the eighteen holes, had the low score to-day in the qualifying round of the Northfield Country Club's first invitation golf tournament for women.

Miss Catherine Hutchinson, Woodbury, was second with 100 strokes, and Harvill Doyle, Princeton, and other colleges in golf matches and will participate in an intercollegiate tournament. The trip is expected to last two months.

The team is composed of C. N. Humphries, who is the captain; H. M. Proctor, E. E. Lebar, T. S. Morris, T. S. White and J. A. Holt.

# Carpentier Repressive In Bouts With Helpers

Expert Judges Unable to Get a Line on Frenchman's Real Form.

By CHARLES F. MATHISON.

Georges Carpentier tried a new sparring partner yesterday afternoon in the person of Marcel Denis, of France. Denis is a lightweight, and he gave the European champion the liveliest workout he has had since beginning his professional career. Denis is a speedy performer and he aimed more solid blows at the champion than any of the other helpers of the Frenchman. Many of these thumps landed with jarring effect and as a result Carpentier clouted Denis with much vigor.

Gus Wilson, trainer for the champion, has a high opinion of Denis, and will probably match him against some of the American lightweight.

The giant Journee, who is to try his skill against that of Charley Weiner at Ebbets Field next Monday night, also took his turn against Carpentier, and while no damaging blows were struck by either, yet the contest developed all the activity of the boxers.

Italian Joe Gans was the target in the final bout and as he is a rugged chap, he took everything that came without flinching.

Among those who watched the work of the Frenchman yesterday was Dr. B. F. Roller, in his day a great wrestler and an excellent judge of physical condition. He said he had been struck by Carpentier's form as displayed in his work, Dr. Roller said.

"Physically he looks all right, but he did not do enough work to give his sparring partners an enable one to form an opinion as to his capabilities in a fight."

"I understand that Carpentier is a clever boxer, with considerable force to his blows, but if that is the case then he is not disclosing his real form in his workouts. I should like to see him cut loose with Journee or Jeannette, as that would furnish a basis on which to estimate his ability."

Capt. E. V. Chandler, heavyweight champion of the British army, expressed similar views to those of Dr. Roller, and said he could not understand the object of Carpentier in concealing his real form from the public.

Capt. Mallet Satisfied.

Capt. J. H. Mallet, warm friend and confident adviser of the French champion, expressed complete satisfaction with Carpentier's progress.

"The champion of Europe," said the Captain, "who as a member of the famous 'Les Deux' of France was handicapped by injured hands. He seems to be doing better than he has in the past. But when he entered the service his hands were hurt, and he has been unable to do himself justice in the ring. But when he entered the service his hands were hurt, and he has been unable to do himself justice in the ring."

On the other hand, he has been able to hit with full force, something he could not do for many months. His hands are strong, and his muscular system, which suffered in military service, is again flexible and ready for strain.

"In addition he is heavier now than he was when he was a lightweight."

Commenting on the question of secret training, Gus Wilson said: "We do not want to do it. There will be a lot of hard work done this week and we can do better if there is nobody around to see it."

"It has been the custom to prohibit newspapermen from the grounds on every day excepting Monday and Tuesday. But a lot of friends and acquaintances have been coming these off-days. They're more bother than anybody else and we will attempt to keep them out."

The Marquess Club, whose traps are located behind the training camp, are guests of the challenger at his headquarters. They have elected Georges an honorary member and invited him to attend their shoots.

Local Boxing Bouts for Current Week

Brooklyn Arena—Jack Malone vs. Jack Stone.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.  
Finner Sporting Club—Johnny Dundee vs. Jimmy Smith.

Thursday Night.  
Mitchell Field—Jimmy Coffey vs. Jack Redmond; Billy Bush vs. Joe Lewis.

Commonwealth Club—Jackie Jerome vs. Danny Powers; Spider Roach vs. Walter Rector.

THURSDAY NIGHT.  
Armory A. A. Jersey City—Tommy McAlister vs. Johnny Wolgast; Johnny Trammie vs. Willie Burns.

Dempsy when the latter resumes his ring work this week.

Jack McAllister, retired undefeated lightweight champion, was another visitor yesterday. He is an ardent Dempsy admirer.

Dempsy 3 to 1 in Wall Street Over Carpentier

One to 20 on Frenchman to Score Knockout.

Wall Street betting on the result of the Dempsy-Carpentier match on July 2 took another turn yesterday, when the odds on the champion to defeat the French contender advanced to 3 to 1, compared with previous quotations of 2 1/2 to 1.

The financial district stood at 3 to 1, some bets of small amounts were said to have been made at odds of 2 1/2 to 1 against the Frenchman.

W. L. Darnell reported yesterday the receipt of one commission to place \$15,000 at 3 to 1, and James W. Ball & Co. announced they had quite a bit of business in the betting line.

Carpentier backers were still rather timid yesterday and continued to hold out for 3 1/2 to 1 against the favorite. Every time the odds came only a few thousand dollars was said to be available for betting on the contender.

Reports from abroad to betting commissions, however, indicate that considerably more cash will be available from both England and France for wagers on Carpentier before the date of the bout.

Odds that Dempsy will score a knockout were also higher yesterday, advancing from 9 to 5 to 2 to 1. That Carpentier will knock Dempsy out was held at 1 to 20 odds.

McKenna Stops McGilligan.

Eddie McKenna knocked out Micky McGilligan in the fourth round of a bout at the Queensboro A. C. last night. McGilligan substituted for Phil Franchini.

Franklin Ryan knocked out Johnny Conroy in the second round of a bout scheduled for eight.

Battling Lahn and Harry Nelson boxed a ten round draw.

Mohr Defeats Werner.

Walter Mohr outboxed George Werner in a twelve round bout at the Broadway Exhibition Association, Brooklyn, last night. Mohr's rushes were too much for Werner. Bert Spencer stopped Fighting Fitzpatrick in the second round of a bout scheduled for eight.

Kid Williams the Winner.